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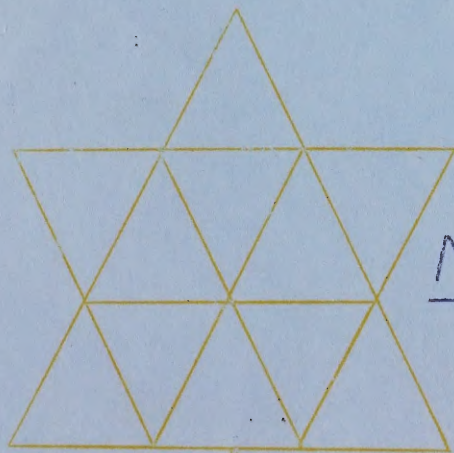
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*"I would rather be  
the least among  
men with dreams  
and the desire to  
fulfill them, rather  
than the greatest  
with no dreams  
and no desire."*



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DORCHESTER

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THE PENAL PRESS

THE OBJECTIVE HAS BEEN TO ESTABLISH A BETTER UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE PRISON AND THE PUBLIC BY MEANS OF PRINTED WORDS. HERE, THEN, IS THE ULTIMATE AND THE OVERALL REASON FOR PRISON PUBLICATIONS; TO HELP THE PUBLIC APPRECIATE LIFE INSIDE THE PRISON AND TO SURMOUNT THE HIGH WALL OF MISUNDERSTANDING.

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THE BEACON MONTHLY

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The Inmate Training Division of the Federal Penitentiary, here at Dorchester, New Brunswick, is sponsoring a project as a contribution to Canada's Centennial. This inmate proposal has been approved, in principle by the Department of Penitentiaries, and the authorities here have entered into it with an attitude signifying whole-hearted co-operation.

#### THE PROJECT

The project involves a compilation of stories of national or inter-national interest which have originated in the Maritimes. There is one story for each year since 1867. These stories do not all have historical value, but those of great interest with historical connotations are given preferential consideration for this book. These stories, one to a page, are completed in approximately nine hundred words, and each "story page" is border illustrated with coloured drawings appropriate to the subject matter. Upon the reverse side of each "story page" there are short facts on other important happenings in the Maritimes - or elsewhere if directly effecting the Maritimes - for that same "story" year. The book will also contain twenty-five to forty full page coloured drawings of Maritime interest. All art work features inmate talent and is done, and checked, under magnifying glass for minute detail. When the book is finished it will also contain a prologue of fifty to sixty pages briefly outlining the history of the Maritime Provinces from first settlement to Confederation. It is estimated that the book will be of three hundred page length, although this could vary in either direction.

#### THE PAPER AND BINDINGS

The authorities in Ottawa have instructed us to the effect that if the book is accepted it will be printed on first quality paper and bound in the finest traditions of the craft. Incidentally, the pages of the book will be eight and one-half by eleven inches - the same size as The Beacon you now hold.

#### THE QUANTITY AND DISTRIBUTION

It has been estimated, by Ottawa, that up to three million copies of the book will be distributed through Expo 67, as well as other agencies, during Centennial year, again, if accepted. We, the inmate staff employed on the project intend that it shall be a book in which Maritimers will be able to take pride, and one which we hope will add grace and dignity to fine libraries.

#### RESEARCH

Our facilities for the amount of research necessary for this book are very limited here at the Penitentiary. For this reason we have, to date, written over seventy-five letters to Historians, University Presidents, Authors, Publishers, Editors, Librarians, etc., etc., asking their help in order to obtain facts on stories which have proved important to the culture and/or history of their area. And we are very happy with the great amount of friendly, encouraging, affirmative replies we have received. It is, indeed, a very heart-warming experience to have so many busy professional men and women freely offer their talent and time to help in our endeavour. Incidentally, any and all help we receive will be acknowledged, in the bibliography, gratefully. Also, some of the people we contacted could not spare the time to search through microfilm files and old records, but have made their files and facilities available to us and, without jocular intent, invited us to "come and get" the information we require. This invitation was very well received and is appreciated. The only thing stopping us from going out for our data is the concrete wall around us, about 30 feet high, with gun towers strategically set thereon. However!, greater obstacles than this have been overcome, and "The show must go on."

#### PROGRESS REPORT

We feel that the book is rounding into shape on schedule, thanks to the response



from many well known and knowledgeable persons. There are several stories and approximately 10% of the artwork on the finished file.

We have to state that a project of this magnitude was not envisaged at the outset. The original idea was a 150 page Centennial Beacon, with a circulation proposed of perhaps, if we were lucky, of 5000. This has since snowballed to the present plan since the authorities in Ottawa entered into it. The Editor and the man behind

the project, Hamilton (Ted) McDonald, developed the idea early in the year and with unflagging interest has persued every pathway to have it promoted. There were many difficulties to overcome, as a project of this type is a hard task master and demands constant and diligent attention.. There is no time left in the day for anything except work and sleep. Also working on the project are two artists, Ben Heighton and Doug Felhaber, Ray Pentz on the typewriter, with yours truly Jack Chisholm in the Associate Editor's chair.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Our thanks go out to Joe Payne and the WEEKLY PROGRESS of the State House of Correction, Marquette, Michigan, for the following article that reflects the opinion of THE BEACON.

#### REPPRESSED HOSTILITY

Joe Payne

The Inner Rebellion that usually launches an otherwise normal person on a course of crime is often accompanied by an acute case of "tunnel vision". By such limited perception many criminal defendants in the ordinary routine of arrest, prosecution and commitment to a penal institution, find ample "cause" to greatly magnify and feed their deepening resentments.

Whether these stimuli are real or imagined, childish or well founded, valid or not, the subject's reaction to them are the same. His pattern set, he sees himself as the victim, not the culprit. As the boredom of punishment mounts he finds many additional "reasons" to deepen his anger towards his incarceration, society and, ultimately, himself.

At this point he can see little good in anything. His cloud of gloom darkens and expands until it overshadows all, including faithful friends and dear ones, and those genuinely interested in him. Gone is the loving, compassionate person he may have once been, along with the ready smile and the warm personality he once had. Farther and farther he withdraws into his hard, unyielding shell and he becomes quiet and sullen.

Such are the symptoms of repressed hostility.

Penologists have long been aware that small acorns of unexpressed rage grow to mighty oaks in the fertile ground of self pity. They would rather deal with one who vents his pet peeves in oral discussion than try to reach the man who harbours his complaints in brooding silence. The theory is, fundamentally, that there is more room for resentment out in the open air than there is locked up inside where its pressures do the real damage. Whether pure justice may be involved doesn't really matter. What matters greatly, though, is: What can be done to help the "victim" save himself? And, equally important, who is the person, or persons, to do it? Will the subject, if left alone, eventually diagnose his own malady and prescribe a treatment, And, if not, who will undertake to do it for him in the face of his buried hostility for friend and therapist alike?

To be sure, psychiatric help may be clearly indicated, and is often resorted to in advanced cases. This is not to say however, that all cases are immune to recovery without the aid of specialists. Often personal insight is achieved through group therapy, and related studies.

However the result is attained, it does seem clear that until the sufferer can regain the exercise of his will and exhibits a desire to "straighten himself out", there is no miracle drug, or other remedy to effect a satisfactory recovery.

Significantly, experts agree that cure without insight offers the best odds for recurrence.. A fact to remember when we find ourselves "hating too much."



# MAIL

# FROM

# RITA

Dear Rita,

We received your letter a few days ago and we were all very happy to know that everything is fine with your family and with yourself.

Rita, we had no idea what we could send to you for your birthday because we are not too experienced in what a young lady of eleven would like to have. So, we decided that a shiny new bicycle would be the best thing we could send. Do you like that idea?

I cannot tell you how long it will take to get to you but the letter with the order is going out at the same time as this letter. So, Rita, we hope that it will arrive on time for your birthday. We also hope that you will have many others and that they will all be happy.

When next you write, be sure to let us know how you are getting on at school as we are all very interested.

Well young lady, and you are a young lady now, this will be all for this time. Give our regards to your mother and sister and we hope they will continue to be well. To you, as always, we send much, much love

(Signed) T. McDonald,  
for Your Foster Parents

**Editors Note:** The following is a copy of the progress report on Rita which we received this month. There is also a full story on her elsewhere in the paper.

"Dear Friends,

We are happy to send you this report on your Italian foster child. In it you will find recent information as submitted by one of our social workers following a home visit.

Dear Canadian Foster Parents,

I received your letter, I am glad to read your beautiful words. You say that in Canada there is a lot of snow. In our Naples I never saw the snow. We had a rainy winter this year but this month is full of sun and it seems spring as the fields are already full of flowers. Dear Foster Parents you say in your letter that you sent me 25 dollars, I have received them for Xmas. I am always glad when I receive your news. I am well and I hope you too are in good health. Also mother, my little brothers and my eldest sister are well.

I go to school and study hard to be promoted.

Dear Foster Parents, I thank you so much for your monthly check of 5000 liras that are very useful to me. Mother buys me food, things for school and all I need.

Many greetings from mother, from my sister Maria and from my brothers Mario and Enrico; many kisses from me, your

Rita

Rita is a sweet child with a rather shy nature. This year she is attending fourth grade. After completing fifth grade and receiving her elementary diploma, she has no definite plans for her future. The child is enjoying good general health and she is happy to receive your letters.

Continued assistance in this case would be advisable through June 1967 when this Foster Child's present school cycle should be completed.

We attach a recent snapshot of your Foster Child whose measurements are: Waist 25", height 4'2", weight 57 pounds.

The family's income and economic conditions, as close as our social worker has been able to figure, are as follows:



The mother declares a monthly pension of \$28.00. In addition, she works as a domestic. For this she declares an earning of \$1.15 per day's work. Maria, aged 19, does knitting and declares an earning of \$1.15 per day. Enrico, aged 14, is attending the eight grade. Mario, aged 13 is in the fourth grade.

We must add to the above, the monthly cash grants and monthly warehouse distributions made possible by your interest. The new clothing, new shoes, blankets and bed-sheets, and other items distributed from Plan's Rome Warehouse have been greatly appreciated by the entire family. We are trying, whenever possible, to bring help to the entire family as a group through the help of your Foster Child.

The extra attentions you have for your Foster Child, your extra cash gifts, your lovely gift packages, your Xmas gifts, etc have done much to improve your Foster Child's well-being.

You are undoubtedly aware that conditions are improving steadily in Italy. It is indeed gratifying and we wish to reassure you that Plan continues to work only with those families whose needs must still be met. We wish to thank you sincerely for your constant and generous interest in this Italian child. The social worker on your child's case joins me in the expression of these sentiments.

(signed) Mrs. Elma Laurenzi  
Director in Italy.

Report submitted by:  
Giuliana Salustri  
social worker.

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#### HOW RITA CAME TO US

During 1963, it was decided to run a survey within the population of the Penitentiary to determine the opinion of the inmate body in the matter of "adopting" a foster child through the Foster Parents Plan.

By an overwhelming majority it was decided that the amount of money necessary for the support of a foster child should be deducted each month from the Inmates Welfare Fund. This fund is set up in order that the inmates can benefit through the bulk purchase of movies, treats, extra sporting equipment etc., and is contributed to by the inmates from their earnings here at the Penitentiary.

The Beacon was assigned the task of contacting the necessary authorities and in due course we received notification that RITA MASTROPAOLO had been assigned to us after having had a foster parent who was forced to discontinue aid to her.

The case history and story of Rita from the first report on her is re-printed verbatim. We feel certain that after reading of her privations, we, who were not here when she was given to us, will be more than happy to continue our support and do whatever we are able in order that she will have the opportunity for a decent and happy childhood, and, perhaps, a higher level of education than she was destined for before we got her. There will be more about Rita's education in a later edition.

#### CASE HISTORY

"This delightful little girl is Rita, who lives in great poverty, in Miano, ten miles from Naples. She is extremely pretty and bright, with an outgoing and charming personality. She has dark chestnut hair and eloquent, dancing black eyes. She used to be very shy but she has come to be extremely friendly and affectionate and loves to recite, which she can do with some talent. She is in second grade as of this autumn (1963). Her first year as a little school girl was a very happy one, and she was especially happy when she was called upon to write on the black-board. After school she loves to play outside as much as possible and she is lively and gay even though she knows the meaning of privation. However she has the wonderful spirit of her childhood and can surmount all wretchedness.

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## THE RITA STORY

Rita's father died after tragic suffering of tumour of the throat in early 1959. He had no trade and did whatever odd jobs he could find. As a result, no pension was left to his family at his death, and certainly no savings. His wife sold even their cheap furnishings to pay for cost of illness, burial, living for herself and the children. Rita has a sister and two brothers.....Maria Gerarda (now 16), and Enrico and Mario (11 and 9 respectively). For a long time, their mother, undernourished, anemic and on the brink of tuberculosis, and worn with grief, could hardly find any way to provide for the children. She lived on help from impoverished relatives...until Plan finally found the family and help was given immediately through the goodness of a Foster Parent who was unable to continue. Help is desperately needed still....and help already given has wrought a miracle of change to date. With the moral support of someone who cared, this mother overcame her shock and her despair. She became energetic and forceful, determined to do her own best. The chances in her small town are poor and she cannot earn very much, but she works very hard and without letup. She has gotten jobs as charwoman and she earns about \$1.00 per day. There is a local dole of about .17¢ per day. This, with our aid represents the living for the family. Plan aid provides for Rita.... and the family inevitably shares a monthly cash grant of \$8.00, food and clothing and special medical care. It has meant life and hope and courage...and it has been well used. You will find them heartwarming to help and you will surely love Rita.

They live in an old home, of two rooms one above the other, with a window that lets in the bright southern sunshine. They have a large bed, a cot, an old chest, a table, a few chairs. The rooms are bare but neat and clean always. Maria is trying to find work, But she also helps care for the home because of the mother's work. The spirit here is one of optimism. Your own goodness at this time carries on this job so well begun and so necessary.

What means the most to Rita and her mother is the loving kindness that stops to heed and to care, to express a kind of faith in them. They will never forget how much you help them now."

### PRESS RELEASE

#### Editor's Note:

The following is a copy of the Press release issued immediately after Rita was adopted, and printed in every major paper in Canada.

#### "PEN" INMATES SUPPORT CHILD THROUGH FOSTER PARENTS' PLAN

Once again the inmates of a Federal Prison have shared their meager earnings to offer both hope and help to a desperately needy child and her family across the sea. Foster Parents' Plan, Montreal, has announced that the inmates of Dorchester (N.B.) Penitentiary have financially "adopted" 8 year old RITA MASTROPAOLO, a bright, black-eyed Italian girl, through the Plan.

Three years ago the inmates of St. Vincent de Paul Penitentiary, near Montreal, took on the support of two foster children through the Plan, but were forced to discontinue following the fire and riots last year, due to the disorganization that followed.

Rita's father died a few years ago after a lengthy illness, and her mother sold almost everything they owned except the clothes on their backs to pay for the burial and other expences. Undernourished, anemic, on the brink of tuberculosis, and worn with grief, she endeavoured to support her four children on help from almost impoverished relatives, until Plan discovered the plight of the family. Now, thanks to the generosity of men who know their own form of privation, the family will share a cash grant of \$8.00 per month and Rita will get extra food parcels, new clothing and necessary medical care.



# INVICTUS

Out of the night that covers me,  
Black as the pit from pole to pole,  
I thank whatever gods may be  
For my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstance  
I have not winced nor cried aloud.  
Under the bludgeonings of chance  
My head is bloody, but unhowed.

Beyond this place of wrath and tears  
Looms but the Horror of the shade  
And yet the menace of the years  
Finds, and shall find, me unafraid.

It matters not how straight the gait,  
How charged with punishments the scroll,  
I am the master of my fate;  
I am the captain of my soul.



## EDITORIAL

### Where was everybody?

**W**e have been gratified by the public outcry over the Steven Truscott case. Innocent or guilty—and most of us have been overwhelmed by the evidence that he was not guilty—many things went wrong with that investigation and trial in Clinton seven years ago.

The question that keeps asking itself is "Where was everybody?" Where has everybody—except Isabel LeBourdais—been ever since?

Stanley Knowles, the able United Church minister who has chosen to make his witness and do his work in the NDP party and the House of Commons, has confessed a personal fear that many of us share. What about all the others who have complained so bitterly to their MP's and their ministers of religion that they have suffered injustice? What about all the other teenagers who are confined in our penitentiaries?

Most of us, like Mr. Knowles, have a deep confidence in Canadian law and law courts. Whatever we may think of our penal system—and we think much of it archaic—we have always believed that the

innocent have nothing to fear from Canadian police or courts. Before a magistrate, or judge, or jury of peers, and with a free press, we may all feel safe.

But it took all these years and the able, indefatigable work of one woman to shake us up over what happened at Clinton, Ont., in 1959. It makes Mr. Knowles wonder how many others of those who have complained to him of injustice have been telling the truth.

This is something for ministers, social workers, commentators, editors and all responsible persons with a social conscience to ask themselves. What about those bitter, protesting persons to whom so many of us have listened and listened and listened? We who visit jails and police courts, and counsel troubled people in their homes, find that just about every person protests his innocence. Our confidence in the institutions of justice in this land is so great, we invariably agree that all who are found guilty are guilty.

That is one reason the Truscott case has so disturbed this nation. Our confidence has been shaken. And we ask ourselves, where was everybody—where were we—in Clinton and in Ontario back there in 1959?

### Editor's Note

With reference to the above Editorial taken from The United Church OBSERVER may we say that Stephen Truscott was convicted on the 30th. day of September, 1959, of the murder of a twelve year old girl, Lynn Harper, and sentenced to death. He was only fourteen years of age—the youngest person condemned to death in Canada for many years. Many people were filled with revulsion at the thought of hanging a boy, so young, and after considerable controversy the sentence was commuted to life imprisonment. Unfortunately, the argument, centered around the punishment, obscured the important questions whether he was actually guilty and whether his right to a fair trial was respected in fact as well as in theory. These are just a couple of the questions Isabel LeBourdais brought

out in the book she wrote based on the Stephen Truscott trial records.

Mrs. LeBourdais brought the case back to public attention by uncovering enough indications of a miscarriage of justice to call for an inquiry.

The members of Parliament, including John Diefenbaker, who called for a Royal Commission to investigate the case of Stephen Truscott, now serving a life sentence in Collins Bay, Ontario, were, as we see it, thoroughly justified in calling for an immediate inquiry. It was several months ago that such an inquiry was requested. Since then the Prime Minister has ordered a Judicial Inquiry for the Solicitor General to study. This inquiry is underway at the present time and we are anxiously awaiting the results of their deliberations.



# NOTES

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# NOTABLES

## DEPUTY WARDEN LEAVES

Deputy Warden W.C. Westlake, who has been part of the Administration staff here since September, 1964, has left for greener pastures. Mr. Westlake has been promoted to Warden of the new Warkworth Institution near Peterborough, Ontario. He is returning to his native province where he first began his career in the Canadian Penitentiary Service.

Mr. Westlake, who is married and has completed 19 years in the field of penology. He graduated from high school and business college and enlisted as a CO 1 at Collins Bay Penitentiary. He was appointed to the Staff College as an instructor, before receiving his promotion to Assistant Deputy Warden (Custody) at Collins Bay before coming to Dorchester.

Noted for his fairness in dealing with inmates, Mr. Westlake takes with him our best wishes to his new appointment.

## "A GOOD SPIN!"

"June 6, 1913 - The first prisoner that was ever taken to Dorchester in an automobile arrived at the Institution there yesterday afternoon in the charge of Provincial Constable J. A. Simpson, Chief Carter and Major Holt. We have reference to the young man who was given a three year sentence in Dorchester by Judge Patterson for burglary. The three above mentioned officers decided to hire a motor and give the young prisoner a good spin prior to his incarceration. Warden Pipes informed them on arriving there that it was the first time in the history of the institution that a prisoner came in such state."

## NEW DEPUTY HERE

Mr. C. Williamson has arrived to assume the duties of Deputy Warden here. We have not yet had the opportunity to interview him so little can be said. However, we hope to have a story on Mr. Williamson for the next issue.

## NATIONAL EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

### TO DORCHESTER PENITENTIARY

In 1946 a program was set up whereby a representative of the Moncton Office of the National Employment Service would visit the institution to interview inmates. Eventually this program was set up on a national basis and each penitentiary was assigned a visiting officer. Under this program, interviews are conducted with each interested inmate approximately two months before his release in an effort to help him establish himself in a job "outside."

At present, Frank B. Little, Supervisor of the Special Services Section in the Moncton National Employment Office, is carrying out this function and is here at the main institution and at the Farm Annex every Thursday afternoon. Mr. Little has been coming to the institution for over four years and has had quite a lot of success in helping ex-inmates find employment and thus assist in their rehabilitation.

In addition to this program, the Moncton Office of the National Employment Service in 1965 again set up a new program. Under this program, the National Employment Service representative speaks to inmates just entering the institution to get them to think about taking some type of training which will improve their employability upon release.

Every third Thursday, Mr. Little now spends the full day at the institution, using half the day to talk to these new inmates.

Once again this program is reported as being very successful.



## "The Thinker"



I have carefully observed the reaction of newcomers to the Penitentiary both old and young. They appear bewildered, very cautious, often polite. But isn't this a standard pattern of all humans when first entering a strange environment? We all experience it. The hunter, boxer or new employee undertaking a new conquest. People and things around you have a pronounced effect. Yet the moment one feels out his opponent his reaction is different. He no longer is uncertain. Confidence is established. It is amazing how understanding and confidence can be so effective. The new inmate reacts in a similar manner. He feels out his fellow cell mates. Quickly senses and surmises their weaknesses and strengths. The early stages of his detention plays a key role in his future behaviour. Thus a stringent hand must be taken.

During the early stages, strange, new and exciting stories are heard by the new inmate. Stories which may have a pronounced effect on him.

Allow the newcomer to be subjected to unsavory information and he will surely be led astray. Subject him to immediate direction, guidance, attention, leadership, respect and he will be inclined to perform as a model inmate and I am sure develop into a better person.

The institution is staffed by Classification Officers' who are prepared to handle all inmates. But can so few men perform effectively.

I believe that before these officers get around to talking to the newcomer, it may be too late. His job is next to impossible. In fact the week or ten days prior to the interview can be the newcomers downfall. At this stage the newcomer in all probability has gathered bad information and generally uses the Classification Officer for his own benefit, rather than for constructive assistance.

There are officers appointed by the Courts to do pre-sentence reports. Here the first big step should be taken. Why not instruct and direct these officers to make a conclusive study of the inmate? Their report could be completely detailed. The Classification Officer would then be prepared for prompt and effective action. No longer must he grope around in the dark depending on the inmates' reluctant information. Granted, there is now available to the Classification Officer some form of report but in my opinion it fails to supply the ingredients of complete coverage.

I believe that if immediate action is taken by the Classification Officers and also closer attention paid to the inmates many more benefits can be derived. Shock the inmate into realizing the intense interest shown in him. It can only result in a good end. I am sure that his natural instilled pride will cause him to accept the help offered. He will without doubt have a new slant on things. Instill and cultivate this natural pride of man and he in turn will strive to do better.



# AROUND THE PENAL CIRCUIT...

## THE WIFE

PHILADELPHIA (AP) Driver Edward Richardson and Patrolman Charles Schemm thought it was a joke.

As they were driving their patrol wagon a car pulled alongside and the driver yelled: "You're losing your prisoners."

With 26 prisoners in the police van, the pair decided to stop and have a look, just in case.

In the van were 24 prisoners....and a hole in the window of the door.  
(Via The Weekly Progress)

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## BONDS FOR EX-CONS

The Social Restoration Research Center, an organization studying the problems of ex-convicts returning to society after a period of confinement, has worked out an agreement with Philip Gordis Associates, Inc., insurance brokers in New York City, to provide employment-bonding insurance for former offenders.

The Center will act as coordinating agency for persons interested in obtaining such bonds.

The cost is \$15. per year for a \$1,000. bond. Application forms may be obtained from the Social Restoration Research Center, Room 1532, Philadelphia, Pa., A certified copy of the court disposition of the most recent conviction must accompany the application for bond. The value of this service remains to be seen.  
(Via The Presidio)

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## WHY USE LOCKS?

Inmates will carry their own keys to the cells of the \$14 million dollar State Correction Center at Shelton, Washington. The Center is intended primarily for use by first offenders.  
(Via The Angolite)

## UNCENSORED

Censorship of inmate correspondence was abolished in all Indiana Penal Institutions by Bernard Dolnick, Commissioner of Correction.

In a speech to the Inmate population Mr. Dolnick said, "There will not be a limit to the number of letters which can be received or written. It is through this new policy that we in the Correction Department feel will offer each individual the opportunity to keep in touch with people on the outside who will be expected to help the inmates when they return to their respective communities."

Mr. Dolnick has also abolished the censorship of the institution's newspaper. The progressive Commissioner has also been instrumental in the doing away with corporal punishment and solitary confinement.  
(Via The Pendleton Reflector)

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## REARLETS HIS APPEAL

Ezra Kurnitz, Miami, Florida, was arrested on a charge of bank robbery. Kurnitz confessed to the crime and was given five years in prison.

While he was in prison he appealed on the grounds that he did not have to confess. The court upheld his appeal and ordered him retried. Kurnitz then pleaded not guilty.

This time he was found guilty and given twenty years.

Ezra is now appealing his first appeal.  
(Via The Hil'ry Sun)

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## REWARD FOR GOOD BEHAVIOR

Michigan has become another state which allows ten-day leaves...a reward for good behavior. There are now fourteen states in this country that grant leaves for inmates who keep a clean slate for six months or better.  
(Via The Eye)



# PENAL PRESS

We thank the men of THE NEW ERA - a leading American PP magazine - for the following article. The New Era is published at Leavenworth, Kansas. Ed.

THE FIRST prison publication appeared in the 1880's. Since that time hundreds of others have been born and died, but there are now over two hundred printed and distributed with some kind of regularity in the United States and Canada. Their quality varies from one or two pages of mimeographed copy to magazines that rival the professional. Their viewpoint varies almost as widely: Many prison publications are nothing more than a means for the administration to circulate regulation changes and are rigidly controlled and censored. Others are censored, but no attempt is made to "stack the deck" by the administration. The ideal situation is where inmate editors have a big budget and a free hand—but I can't guess where that can be.

Originally, penal publications came into being because they would perform useful functions: They would provide on-the-job training for would-be writers, and they would provide one more way to keep men occupied. You can't organize a riot or dig a tunnel while beating hell out of a typewriter or watching to make sure that a printing press doesn't gobble up the whole stack of paper in one gulp. These were the practical considerations.

**T**ODAY, the penal press has another goal: It speaks FOR the prisoner, not TO him. The primary audience is *outside* the walls where all worth-while changes must originate. The penal press speaks to lessen the misunderstandings that abound *outside* prison. Penal publications are sent to legislators, politicians, city and college libraries, judges, clergymen, social workers, penologists, doctors, psychiatrists, educators and the editors of Free World magazines and newspapers and the publishers of books. Families of inmates and other interested individuals also receive copies of penal publications.

Some publications carry advertising and sell subscriptions; their circulation is limited only by the appeal of the periodical. They may possibly operate at a profit. Others operate on a modest

budget and have small printings; the only way they have of increasing readership is to place their publication in the hands of groups. Both are making people realize that the prisoner is a sensitive human being, not the caricature presented by movies, television and yellow journalism. Even an essentially good man can err. The penal press wants people to understand that because a man has stepped into the shadows does not mean he can never find the light again.

But the first two reasons for the existence of the penal press are still valid ones: An active man is *not* fomenting disorder, and it *does* spark creativity inside the walls. The penal press gives an aspiring writer or artist a showcase for his wares. He is able to try his wings while he is learning to soar.

**I**T'S NOT likely that many books will be written in prison that will rival financially Genet's *Our Lady of the Flowers* or Cleland's *Fanny Hill*, both of which sold (under the counter) for fantastic prices just a few years ago. There is, however, always the chance that a meaningful work will be produced by a prison inmate: Ross's *The Dead Are Mine* was well-received by the critics in 1963, and this book is only one of many written by prison inmates and published in the Free World.

Sir Walter Raleigh, O. Henry, Oscar Wilde, Henry Thoreau and Adolf Hitler all wrote while in prison, but of these only O. Henry can be considered a prison writer. Prison is not the ideal place to learn writing or any craft. The penal press should and does take every opportunity to give recognition to creative inmates. A man who does learn a craft is displaying the kind of self-discipline needed to stay out of places like this. He deserves encouragement from everyone.

• Al Nussbaum

The Department of Journalism of Southern Illinois University is sponsoring an annual contest to encourage betterment of prison newspapers. The award will be divided into two categories: Printed & Mimeographed. (Prison magazines are unfortunately not eligible which is too bad since there are surely as many or more magazines as there are newspapers.) For more complete information write to: Professor Charles C. Clayton, Director, American Penal Press Newspaper Contest, Department of Journalism, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois.

New Era



# BLUE MOUNTAIN

PAUL FOSTER

FERNAND ROBICHAUD

## DART LEAGUE

### UNTOUCHABLES

MacLean  
Bennett  
Boucher  
Taylor  
Hillman  
Heritt  
Bourque  
Robichaud

### SAINTS

De Ell  
MacDonald  
Burge  
Arsenault  
McDuff  
Yeo  
Oullette

### SILVER DARTS

Boudreau  
Boyle  
Bodechon  
Brooks  
Pushie

### BLUE ANGLES

Foster  
Carter  
Mitchell  
Desveaux  
Leblanc  
Mailloux  
Sanford

### HIGH AVERAGE

Foster 47  
Boudreau 45  
Mitchell 45

### MOST HUNDREDS

Foster 9  
Mitchell 7  
Boudreau 5

### MOST STARTS

Foster 18  
MacLean 12  
Bennett 12  
MacDonald 12  
Mitchell 12

### MOST FINISHES

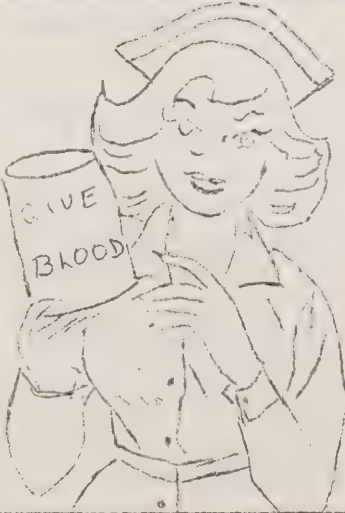
Foster 8  
Boudreau 7  
Boucher 7  
Boyle 7  
Mitchell 7

### HIGH SCORE

Bourque  
138  
Boyle  
128  
Boudreau  
121  
Carter  
121

FIRST PLACE FINISH: SILVER DARTS

FINALS WON BY: UNTOUCHABLES



Blood Donor Clinic  
JULY 13 & 14  
DORCHESTER PENITENTIARY  
Your blood will save a life.



# B. M. SHOW

On Sunday, May 22, the men of Blue Mountain held their first variety show of the year, preceeded by a banquet supper attended by numerous guests from the surrounding area including representatives of The John Howard Society.

The band, incorporating the talents of Pat Boyle on drums, Pat Burke on lead guitar, Bud Boudreau on bass and Roger Boucher on rhythm guitar, opened the show playing the tune "Maggie".

Roger Boucher then took the mike to warm us all with the C&W favorite "Blue, Blue Day". Bill Taylor followed with "You're The Reason", done in a way which ensured he will long be remembered by all.

Next came the first guest from the "Outside", Gord Rankin, who is well known to many persons in the St. John area. Gord brought a change with "Dave's Song" - a poem written by one of the men here which Gord put to music. Gord's style and presentation was one of the highlights of the show.

Basil Newell, another Blue Mountain man came on next with "King of the Road" and living up to all expectations, was the most popular of our own boys.

Earl Titus, another friend from the street, had everybody singing along with him as he did "This Land is Your Land".

Pat Burke came on next with "Baby Elephant Walk", a lovely instrumental which lost nothing with Pat's inimitable style.

Fernand Robichaud provided the French touch with "Ce-soir" and in his presentation left no doubt as to the meaning. A beautiful job on a lovely song.

Mr. Albert White, the institution Classification Officer, changed the tempo and did a lovely trumpet job on "Alley Cat". Bud Boudreau kept the show in the instrumental vein with a very nice "Detour".

Mr. MacLeod, the camp Protestant Chaplain, brought a smile to every one of us with the ever-popular "Little Shirt My Mother Made For Me". This was quite a change from his regular work, but proved

that he can fill the stage as capably as he does the pulpit.

Dingo Burke was next on the stage and he sang "Crazy Arms", followed with an instrumental, "40 Miles of Bad Road," by Pat Burke. Vince MacLean followed and received a good hand for his rendition of "I Got Stripes".

Our drummer - Pat Boyle, and lead guitarist - Pat Burke, drew many rounds of applause for their radiant performance with a vocal number called "Down By The River Side". They were followed by our harmonica player Fred Holland who did a wonderful job on "My Nova Scotia Home".

Rev. MacLeod and Earl Titus then put on a very enjoyable skit "How to Milk a Cow", which was followed by a fifteen minute intermission.

"Bo Diddley" opened the second part of the show, followed by Gerald Pushie who did a lovely job on "I Still Miss Someone". Rev. MacLeod and Mr. Albert White followed Gerald with "Dolly". They were followed by our rhythm guitarist Bud Boudreau who was very much appreciated on a vocal called "Sinner Man". Earl Titus was next with "Cecil MacEachern's Breakdown".

George Hector, veteran of TV and Radio, and a well known personality at BII was without a doubt the most popular performer of the evening as he rendered the numbers: "Maple Sugar," "BJ The DJ", "Under The Double Eagle," "Golden River," etc., etc.

The Superintendent thanked the performers for the best evening of entertainment at the camp in its' three years of operation. He thanked all those who came, performers and spectators alike, saying: "We often talk about not having a wall around us here. There is no real wall, but there is an imaginary wall of doubt, fear and suspicion. When you come here, you demonstrate that you are not afraid of us, and you help to break down that imaginary wall. The inmates can and should be encouraged to know that there are people outside who will not meet them with suspicion and hostility when they leave here. Evenings such as this with people from the outside coming in, as performers or guests serve a very valuable purpose." (B.C.L.)



# SPRINGHILL SATELLITE CHATTER

Our intra mural softball league was formed three weeks ago with three teams making up the league: The Giants, with Reg. Parks at the helm; Johnny Casey managing The Yanks; and Bruce Cruikshanks piloting the Tigers.

Our league is under the capable direction of Freddie Dower who has been appointed Commissioner. Freddie has been connected with the league over the past five years and has proved his ability on many occasions.

The season commenced on May 21st with Mr. K. Lowden, the 2 i/c, throwing the first ball of the season.

The softball league has a farm system this year to enable team managers to move their players up or down to the minors, according to their playing ability.

Three teams from Dorchester, Springhill and Sackville have visited the Institution since the season commenced.

## SOFTBALL STATISTICS

The following are the statistics in the intra mural Softball League to recent date

### TOP TEN

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AB</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>SO</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>HR</u>	<u>RBI</u>	<u>AVG</u>
MUNDEE	Y 26	-	-	13	2	12	.538
JOHNSON	G 19	2	3	5	2	8	.526
LOCKHART	T 24	1	-	8	-	7	.500
MARTELL	Y 31	1	1	14	3	14	.484
BROWN	T 25	-	1	6	-	6	.480
REAGH	T 23	9	5	11	2	9	.478
BURKE	T 19	4	3	8	-	4	.473
BURNS	Y 22	3	-	9	1	6	.454
DENNY	Y 25	1	3	8	2	6	.400
SMITH	T 22	-	4	8	-	8	.363

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A run-down of the three teams is as follows:

### GIANTS

Parks Mgr.  
Burns Cpt.  
Smith, B.  
Ginnish  
Woods  
Fredericks  
Roy  
Gehue  
Munroe  
McKinnon  
McLean  
Antone  
Johnson  
Hake  
Phalen

### YANKS

Cruikshanks Mgr.  
Mundee Capt.  
Brown, A.  
Boyle  
Burke  
McKenzie  
Hendsbee  
Smith, D.F.  
Fahie  
Danials  
Butler  
Aubry  
Vollmann  
Lockhart  
Parsons

### TIGERS

Casey Mgr.  
Reagh Cpt.  
Rogers  
Martell  
Rizzetto  
Richardson  
Jones  
Marr  
Best  
Bernard  
Shea  
LeBlanc  
Barron  
Denny  
McCluskey

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A Croquet league has been set up with three teams in action. C. King was selected to act as commissioner of the newly formed league. For those who are not yet croquet buffs, this game is played on a grass court with skillfull hoop-shots an essential ingredient.

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The third horseshoe pit recently installed, was an appreciated addition to our sports program. These pits are in constant use and tournaments are planned for the near future.

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FLASH: Freddie Dower has relinquished the Commissioner's post in order to play for one of the teams and Murray Marr has taken over the office.

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## INMATE COMMITTEE ELECTION

An election was held recently to choose the committee who will represent the population to the Administration. The result of the voting was as follows:

C. Hake	Chairman	36	Votes
F. Burns	Member	36	"
F. Boyle	Member	27	"
F. Dower		26	"
D. Barron		13	"
B. Cruickshanks		12	"
F. McDonald		10	"

## VARIETY SHOW

Mrs. Balcer and her group visited the institution recently to entertain the inmate population.

The men here were greatly impressed by the variety of the entertainment and much enjoyment of the program was expressed. Our sincere thanks go out to "Aunt Flo" for her efforts on our behalf.

Trumpet solo by D. Antone, a duet by Antone and D. Smith, an accordion solo by Vollman and another duet, this time by R. LeBlanc on the guitar and Doiron on the fiddle, contributed greatly to the program presented by Mrs. Balcer.

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Is. Dohy, Superintendent, and Freddie Doyle, Committee Member, on behalf of the inmate population, thanked Mrs. Balcer and her entire group and at the same time extended a warm invitation for her to return in the near future.

## CHILDREN LEARN WHAT THEY LIVE

From the Springhill Record

If a child lives with criticism,  
He learns to condemn.  
If a child lives with hostility,  
He learns to fight.  
If a child lives with ridicule,  
He learns to be shy.  
If a child lives with jealousy,  
He learns to feel guilty.  
If a child lives with tolerance,  
He learns to be patient.  
If a child lives with praise,  
He learns to appreciate.  
If a child lives with encouragement,  
He learns confidence.  
If a child lives with fairness,  
He learns justice.  
If a child lives with security,  
He learns to have faith.  
If a child lives with approval,  
He learns to like himself.  
If a child lives with both acceptance  
and friendship,  
He learns to find love in the world.

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# FARM ANNEX NEWS

## FARM ANNEX SOFTBALL

Saturday, May 28th,, the Carson Landscapers of Moncton visited the Farm Annex All Stars. Despite the heavy downpour, the enthusiasm of players and spectators alike was undampened. The Annex All Stars shaded the visitors 10-9. Gumper MacEachern was the winning pitcher with Jones of the visitors tagged with the loss. Jimmy Hyson was the big gun for the winners with a 4 for 4 performance at the plate, with two homers in this string. Whitey Dumas also connected for a 4 bagger as well as shining defensively. The standout for the losers was their young shortstop, Geldhart who came up with several fine stops of hard hit balls.

McKay connected for two singles with Jim Euloth and "Nick" Nickerson contribut-

ing to the All Stars cause with their heavy bats.

Bob Malley, umpire-in-chief, had the game well in hand throughout.

On Monday night, the Sackville team provided the opposition for the All Stars. Bob Malley had a no hitter going for seven innings until two All Star errors combined with home runs by Phinney and Noiles and singles by Wheeler and Amos produced seven runs. After this the visitors never looked back as they defeated the home club by a 10-6 count. Jim Hyson led the All Star attack with three hits, including a double and a triple. Whitey Dumas and "Nick" Nickerson each had two hits in the losing cause.

Gerry Seguin at the plate with Smith, Long and Cormier on the bases came up with a fine job of umpiring.



# A LAFFIN' MATTER

The eager to please hostess turned to the guest of honour and said, "I suppose I can't offer you wine, as you're the head of the Temperance League, aren't you?" "No," he replied, "I'm head of the Anti-vice League." "Well," the flustered hostess explained, "I knew there was something I wasn't supposed to offer you."

The recruit was roughly awakened by his Platoon Sergeant after his first night in the army barracks. "Grab your socks" said the sergeant, "It's four-thirty".-- "Four thirty" gasped the recruit, "Man you better get to bed; we've got a big day tomorrow."

Two counterfeiters with a talented but stupid engraver, found themselves with a large quantity of almost perfect bills on their hands. The trouble was that they were \$19 bills. They decided to go far back into the hill country to dispose of the bills because "nobody up there sees much money." Deep in the mountains, they flashed one on a crossroad storekeeper and talked him into changing it. "How do you want it?", he asked. "Would two eights and a three be okay?"

Two police Magistrates were driving home together at night, when they were stopped by a motorcycle cop. They were duly charged and, when their cases came up in court the next day, they agreed that each should leave the bench in turn in order that each ones' case should be heard by the other. The first went to trial, pleaded guilty and was promptly fined ten dollars and costs. When they changed places, the second Magistrate, after pleading guilty, was rather shocked when a fine of fifteen dollars and costs was levied. "That's a bit unfair," he complained, "I only fined you ten dollars." "I know" was the reply, "But there is too much of this sort of thing going on and this is the second case of it we've had to-day already."

Three men of different occupations looked at the Grand Canyon.

The archeologist said: "What a wonder of science."

The Clergyman said: "One of the glories of God."

The cowboy said: "A hell of a place to lose a cow."

Two little girls were discussing their fathers. One, boasting, said: "My father is a dentist." ---- "That's nothing," said the other, "My father's a civil serpent."

Two young men were talking about their conquests and the first young guy reminisced rapturously about one of his former girl friends, mentioning that she was a yein. "Twins?" his buddy asked, "How did you tell them apart?" --- "Oh, that was easy, her brother wore a moustache!"

To the recently arrived immigrant the processes of law and order were baffling. He had the misfortune to be arrested for peddling without a licence. Now he stood before the bar of justice with three young ladies arrested for soliciting. When the first young lady gave her profession as "actress" the judge sentenced her to thirty days in the workhouse. When the second said she was a "model" she drew a sixty day sentence. "And what do you do for a living?" the judge fired at the third one: "To tell you the truth, your honour," she answered, "I'm a prostitute." Taken aback by this burst of frankness, the judge said "Honesty has become such a rare commodity in these parts, that for telling the truth I am suspending sentence. You are free to go." Then he turned to the pedlar and his face hardened. "And what do you do for a living?" "To tell the truth, judge," he replied, "I'm a prostitute, also."

Secretary: "Sometimes I think that the boss is a jerk. He just told me to cross one of the "t's" out of "rabbitt" but he didn't say which one."







# INTRA MURAL SPORTS

BY JIMMIE NEWHOOK

Here it is softball season, 1966, and for the past month, or so, all the ball enthusiasts were out in large numbers getting themselves in shape. Two leagues will be in operation again this year with the Braves, Red Sox and Dodgers representing the Old Dome, and the Eagles, Leafs and Hawks in attendance for the B-7 Dome.

The first game of the season was played on May 14th, with the Eagles winning over the Hawks 11-10. Just before the game began Warden Belanger officially opened the season by throwing the first ball past the batter Watso for a strike. Keeper Lorette did the catching honors.

## Eagles 11, Hawks 10.

The Eagles struck for three runs in the first inning on a single by Webb, walk to Turner and Horne, and a triple by Houlihan scoring all three. The Hawks came right back with three runs in their first time at bat. Lavoie drew a walk, Peebles hit a single and both runs scored on fly balls. The Eagles then came up with three more in the second on an error, a single by Cook and walks to Webb, O'Hearn, Horne, Turner and Houlihan. Hawks scored once in the third on a double by Riordan and an error. They picked up two more in the fourth when Carde led off with a triple, Jefferson walked and both runs scored on fly balls. In the fifth it looked like the Hawks were going to run away with it all as they tallied four times. One man on with a fielders choice, Carde singled, Jefferson was deliberately walked and Amos stepped into the ball and belted a grand slam homer to deep left center field. The Eagles stood up under the pressure and came back with two in the fifth with doubles by Horne and Turner. Then in the seventh O'Hearn led off with a walk and Horne homered over the left field fence to win the ball game.

## LEAFS 12, EAGLES 8.

In this high score game the Eagles hit the scoreboard first with three runs on an error, a double by Horne, a triple by the

manager, O'Hearn, and a single by Turner. This lead was short lived as the Leafs came right back with six runs in the last half of the first inning with Collette and Bastarash drawing walks, a single by McIsaac, a double by Dwyer, and two errors. They picked up three more runs in the second when McIsaac, Dwyer and Kidd went aboard on errors and Whitenect drove all three home with a triple. The Eagles came up with five runs in the bottom of the third when one man got on with a walk, and by an error, followed by two doubles hit by Pye and Turner, and topped off with a home run hit, by Horne, over the kitchen roof to end their scoring in the game. The Leafs closed out their scoring opportunities when one man got a walk and Bastarash hit a double in the fifth, Kidd and - "The Pride of CB" - McIsaac both hit a double in the seventh. McIsaac stole third base and scored on an error.

## DODGERS 9 - BRAVES 7

In this game the Dodgers got on the way to a win with one run in the first stanza. They scored another in the second on a two base hit by Rafuse who came in to home on an error. Silliboy went aboard with a fielder's choice play and he also scored on an error. The Braves turned the tide in the fifth and tallied five runs on singles by Bennett and Dalrymple, a double by E. Lewis, a walk, and a triple by O'Brien. They scored twice again in the fourth when E. Lewis got a triple and Gouthro drove the ball over the left field fence for a home run. At this point in the game T. Young was called in to take over pitching duties for the Dodgers and he was at his best. He blanked-out the opposition in the next five innings. Meanwhile his teammates, busy scoring, tallied three more on a single by Blades, a walk, and a double by Burke. Three more were added to their list in the eighth on singles by Blades, Ryan and Gallant, with Gallant scoring on an error. They finished the game with one run in the ninth when Hiltz tripled and scored on a single by Young.



DODGERS 8 - RED SOX 7

With the wind blowing at gale force at times, and the inexperience of D. Yeates making his first start on the mound the Dodgers were able to come up with the win, although, it wasn't by any means an easy one. They scored twice in the first on 3 walks, an error, and a fielders choice. Four more in the third on a single to Silliboy, a walk, and doubles to Blades and Davidson, and twice more in the fifth on singles to Blades, Rafuse and Hiltz. The Red Sox tallied with three in the first on a single by M. Smith, a walk, and then a double by Yeo. They added two more in the second, with a walk, an error, and a single by M. Smith. One in the fourth with a walk and a double by Heigh-ton and one more in the fifth on a walk and a single to Nelligan.

LEAFS 14 - HAWKS 13

With the acquisition of J. Burke the Leafs were able to edge out the Hawks in this one. Burke pitched a strong game to pick up the win. Amos was tagged with the loss. Leafs picked up five runs in the first, on singles to Whitenect and Desornault, a double by Dwyer and two on errors. Two more in the second on a single by Bastarashe, and two errors. Two in the third on two walks. Two more in the fourth on a fielders choice and an error, and three in the eighth on an error, a walk, and a three run homer to deep center field by Bastarashe. Hawks got one run in the first on an error. Two in the second when Watson doubled, and one by error. Two more in the third by an error and a fielders choice. Two in the fourth on a double by Peebles, a triple by Jefferson, and a single. One in the sixth, on an error. Three in the seventh by an error and two walks, and two in the eighth, on a single to Arsenault and a two run homer over the left field fence by Peebles.

HOT STOVE COMMENT - by Mike Houlihan.

"Spectators, who turn out at the ball diamond every time a senior team is playing have enjoyed some of these contests, as much as the players. A few of these games would have done credit to the Yankees (which they could use by the way).  
THE BEACON

However it seems that the rest have been marred, by disputes, and arguments, and other ugly incidents which seem to occur with great regularity.

The will to win is fine but if it takes away sportsmanship, then the game is not worth watching or playing, many of the participants consider it a sport and not a business. So we can sincerely hope that the managers and captains along with the players will excel in sportsmanship as well as their abilities in batting and fielding, and have a little bit of understanding for the umpires who we are sure are trying to do the best they can so that everyone may enjoy these games to their fullest." (M.H.)

NIGHT BALL

Night ball has been going pretty strong for some time now with two teams in the Old Dome and three teams at B-7 Dome. The Vikings and Bushwhackers represent the Old Dome and are getting a few more games in because there are only two teams on their side of the wire fence. At B-7 the three teams are called not necessarily in order of merit - political or otherwise, The Liberals, The Tories, and The Angels. Some of the games played so far have been quite interesting, and entertaining for both participants and spectators. A few highlights of past games must start with the pitching of Fast Balling "Skinny" (Angel) McDonald, the fielding of the Tories short stop - Duplessis, and the hitting of that Pictou County tiger - Sammy "The Slugger" Stewart. To prove Sammy's slugging ability, it was just a few games back that Sam belted a vicious seventeen inch grounder that went for a home-run. Yes, you read it right! a 17" home run! It seems the ball was too hot for anybody to handle. It was kicked, booted, or otherwise delivered to each base but not in time to catch Sammy, running like a tiger around the bases. In the old Dome, Big John McKenzie is sneaking his fast ball by a lot of batters Big John can't understand why he isn't promoted up to the Big league. I think the answer John is that you should lose about three hundred pounds. In the hitting department, George, the man Reynolds is wielding the heavy bat.

More Sports Next Page.



## SPORT BITS 'N' PIECES

More Sports By J. Newhook

In the yard, on weekends and during night exercise periods, it is interesting to note the interest shown at the horse-shoe pits, and I feel safe in saying that by the number of Ringers thrown most of the men have played the game before. Some of the regulars from the Old Dome are: A. Morris, R. Emball, H. Jackson, P. Duke, J. Swinimer, W. LaPointe, and R. Sheehan. The regulars from B7 Dome are: B. Henry, Kent, Spencer, D. Wallace, Richard, Vautour, Ligson, Dunlop, Westhaver, Stewart and Heasley just to name a few. Burning up the handball Courts you can usually find Downey, R. Murphy, J. Ryan, D. Woodfine, J. Roy, M. Reid, P. Duke, W. McNeil, G. Yeo D. Yeates, M. Smith and his partner, representing the Old Dome. McKnight, B. Young, P. Crawford, W. Turpin and Miles Morgan, Dixon, B. Tracey and Noseworthy in attendance for B7. While roaming about, I stopped at the Gym to see what was going on there. At the weightlifting corner I had a "Bull Session" with G. Yeates. I find that there is more to pushing up the iron than meets the eye, so in next months (?) issue, a feature on weightlifting with notes on some of the men most dedicated to this program. In the Gym most of the action is taken up by Volleyball, Darts, Badminton, and Cards. The more popular card games are Whist, Bridge, Cribbage and Hearts. The 2 new shuffle Boards are also drawing their share of interest, some of the regulars at this are J. Yeates, J. Dunford, J. Chisholm, S. Peebles, B. Heighton, J. Snow, D. Arsenault, O'Hearon, A. Melanson, and G. Wright just to name a few. Ping pong is another favorite past time with both tables seeing constant action from E. Lewis, W. Lewis, A. Blades, S. Peebles, R. Ramsey, Chaisson, Dunford, D. Rafuse and Davidson. Before signing off I would like to stick my neck out and make a few predictions for the World Series etc. I predict Baltimore to take the American League pennant and LA Dodgers to win the National-- with Baltimore winning the World Series. In football, I pick Ottawa in the East, and Winnipeg in

the West with Ottawa grabbing the Grey Cup -- In the NFL, Green Bay in the West and Cleveland in the East, with GB taking the championship. Well, there it is. I hope I get at least one right. Well now, that is it for this time. Until next time remember: You don't have to be a winner to be a good sport. "And when that One Great Scorer comes to write against your name, He counts not that you won or lost, but, how you play the game." (H. "Red" F.)

The Sports and Recreation Committee is extra busy at this time making plans for our annual field day, August 1st. The Committee, short a member since Watso has transferred, consists of four men: Henry Jackson, Stan McKenzie, Don Blizzard, and Joe Yeates - Chairman.

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We would like to take this opportunity to thank our readers for the patience and understanding you have shown towards us in our tardiness. There are many reasons for The Beacon being so far behind the publishing schedule but we do not think you would appreciate our listing them here. The fact is we are late and we owe you our deepest apologies. Please accept them. And if you will bear with us a little more we will do our best to catch up without, possibly, as many mistakes as we have made in this rushed issue.

Once again there has been a complete change in The Beacon staff. Ted McDonald, the Editor at last publication, has been promoted to Editor of "The Centennial Project" -- see Page 1. Joe Rizzetto, the Associate Editor and "The Thinker", has transferred to the Springhill Satellite. We wish these gentlemen every success in their new endeavours and hope they will continue to write for The Beacon.

For those of you who are wondering, let us assure you that although we are combining two months in this issue, our readers will receive twelve separate consecutive issues for each one year subscription.

Allow us to thank you, too, for the patience and understanding you have shown towards The Beacon in the past. -Ed.



# WEIGHT

# LIFTING

Recently a weight lifting competition was held at the Penitentiary between the team from Moncton Y.M.C.A. and a team from the Institution.

To prove the calibre of the representatives from Dorchester, Johnny Williams, who himself holds several Canadian and local records and coach of the "Y" lifters, stated to this reporter that he "was glad" to have had a meet here as they had encountered no finer competition east of Montreal. He brought with him five lifters of top calibre with several of them having lifted in international competition in the United States.

There were four new records set during the meet when Tim Comeau, lifting in the Bantamweight Division at 121½ pounds and with a minimum training period behind him, hoisted 175 pounds in the Press, 155 in the Snatch, and 200 in the Clean and Jerk. Each of these records were 5 pounds over the existing mark, one of which had been standing for years.

In each section, both teams were represented by lifters of real merit, with the Dorchester team going down to defeat by the narrowest of margins. The meet attracted much attention from the Inmate population as more than one hundred men saw each of the two shows presented in the morning and afternoon, one for each dome.

To list the competitors in each division in cold statistical form tells nothing of the fine display of sportsmanship encountered at this meet, which did more for weight lifting in particular and public relations in general, than anything we have witnessed for a long time.

## OFFICIALS

Judges: John Williams, Joe McDonald, and Joe Yeates.

Catching Dropped Weights: R. Whitenect and E. Morrison.

Announcer: Ted McDonald

## WEIGHT LIFTING RESULTS

MONCTON Y. M. C. A. VS DORCHESTER

<u>Class</u>	<u>Press</u>	<u>Snatch</u>	<u>C&amp;J*</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bantamweight				
Comeau, (DT)	170	150	195	515
J. McAulley	115	90	125	330
Featherweight				
G. White (M)	180	160	220	560
Hatfield (DT)	150	140	185	475
Lightweight				
Daigle (DT)	150	130	170	450
Middleweight				
C. Bastarashe (M)	200	210	275	685
P. Cassie (M)	210	200	270	680
B. Henry (D)	210	175	245	630
Heavyweight				
J. Williams (M)	230	200	275	685
G. Yeates (DT)	225	190	265	680

Most colorful lifter - C. Bastarashe.

Most outstanding lifter of the meet -  
Comeau

Complimentary and record setting lifts:  
Comeau, at 121½ lbs bodyweight;  
Press 175, Snatch 155, C&J 200, Total 530.

\* - Clean and Jerk



# INMATE VARIETY CONCERT

The talents distributed throughout the institution have once again been brought together under the masterful guidance of Art Munde to provide the inmate population of this Penitentiary with hours of much pleasure and enjoyment.

From the opening moments of this show, it was apparent that it was going to be a smash hit with something in it for everyone. There was music to satisfy the Rock and Roll Buffs; music for the Country and Western fans; comedy by the bushel. In fact, this was the one show that we have no hesitation in comparing to many for which we have paid high prices to view in the various clubs throughout the country.

For once, we thought the entire show was too short. This in itself is the supreme compliment as on many occasions we have been bored stiff with some of the entertainment offered in Toronto, Montreal, and points north, south, east and west. This show, if it were possible to put it on the road would pay a handsome profit for its backers, for packed houses would be assured after the first booking.

Denny Duncan led his band of Rock and Roll artists through their paces with professional aplomb and the band did their leader proud. This outfit, if it were possible to keep it together would "make it" on the outside.

We are, in case you are wondering, purposely not mentioning names and numbers performed at this time, for to do so would be an injustice. Each and every act in this show seemed to outdo the one before it and on the encores, of which there was many, the same applied. We decided therefore to say what we thought of the show as a whole and give equal credit to each of the performers who gave of their very superior talents.

The Country and Western section of the concert, with Billy Legere and his Steel Guitar in the front, drew more response than "the other show" on TV's top ten.

This crew of cowboys brought the roof of the hall down with their old time music and many, many, songs. Recently, it was announced that Canada's "name" down-east band had enjoyed unrivalled popularity for so long it had become a tradition. Well, for the benefit of those interested, the outfit that played here at this concert would give them a run for their money at any time.

The many skits, performed on a variety of subjects, had the audience standing on their feet for ovations. These were the funniest we ever witnessed. One or two of them may not have been the most desirable at a church garden party but funny they were. The fashion show which brought the concert to a close was a huge success and showed true showmanship on the part of all concerned. The Gilda "Strip Dance" was, indeed, the very end!!!!

## SKITS

A. Munde  
S. McDonald  
L. McDonald  
G. Frost  
J. Newhook  
W. King  
D. Wallace

## ROCK N' ROLL

D. Duncan  
S. Peebles  
F. Collette  
L. Fortin  
P. Crawford  
R. Lorette  
D. Gibson

## MASTER OF CEREMONIES

P. Watso

## WESTERN

B. Legere  
J. Cunningham  
G. Yeo  
S. Peebles  
T. Kelly  
A. Morris  
H. Jackson  
Kierstead  
D. Gibson  
M. Duplessie

## COSTUMES, LIGHTS MAKE-UP, PROPS

A. Melanson  
S. Peebles  
K. Hill  
D. Yeates  
J. Newhook

## PIANIST

Mr. C.G. Rutter



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I wish you well.

Sincerely yours,

(Rev.) Eric Robin

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SLIPSHOD SAM SEZ: (COMEDY)

Deere Editor:

Ya no wot? I heer nobuddy is ritin to ya, so heer I am agin, ol fatefull me. How is she goin, huh? hope ya wuzzint too lonsum sinc I rote ya last.

Befor I cum heer, Mr. Editor, dem thar lawyers, wot wuz fonin me frum Halifacks, wuz tellin me as how they wuz gonna git me a new tryal an a change of menu. Thets

sum leegal name they got fer sumtin. But, oh justice! I anit neber got thet new try al. Suppose they wuz jest pullin onta my leg bout thet, Huh?

Oh yah! thet brings sumtin to tha frunt wot I gotta tell ya. Okay? Cum onnust bout it I'm gonna tell ya anyhow. Eben if it aint okay. Okay? Okay.

I alwuz tot Aprul tha one wuz fools day but now I aint so sure. Oh justice, thet aint wot I wuz gonna tell ya. Now, whar wuz I? Oh yah!

Tha udder day, cum dinner time, I got dis heer bowl of supe an soon I got to shuvvin it into my kisser I no as how its diffurint!, like wot I aint neber ett nun of befor. Any how, I'm eattin it like its not buggin me nun. But, oh justice, I aint neber ett nuttin in my hole haywire life wot I cudden call sumtin, an thets buggin me a lot mor than nun. An ya now wot, Tha mor I shuvv it into my kisser tha mor it wuz buggin me, till I finely desides to hav one of them thar investagashuns an find out jest wot it is wots doin sumtin, er nuttin, fer dis heer supe.

Well now, sir, I starts my investagashun ting by stikin my finger into dis lil bowl of supe up to tha tird bone an swish-un it roun fer a mite. Den I take it out an I likes it, an den I smelt it. An, oh justice, Ya no wot? I takes reel sideways peekins at dis heer finger caws it dont tell me nuttin! Magine thet, Huh? Anyhow I figger as how I shud maybe fergit wot it is wots doin sumtin, er nuttin, fer dis heer supe an jest git on wit tha job of eattin it.

Matter of fack thar isnt nuttin rong wit dis heer supe, Mr Editor, cept thet it taste like sumtin I aint neber ett nun of befor. Tha only ting I eber ett wot taste sumtin like dis is gefelte fish in pineapple juice. (Me an sum of the rangler

wuz feelin our oats out thar on tha ranch one day long ago, now an we wuz figgerin as how we could cook us sum grub jest like the wimmin folks duz. Anyhow, sumbuddie got ahold a sum gefelte fish an sumbuddy else got ahold a dis big tin can of thet thar pineapple juice, an seein as how we alreddy had lotsa stuff ta drink we kinda desided to squawsh tha gefelte fish into the pineapple juice an make us a good supe thet we could dunk sum bread into.) Oh justic, now whar wuz I? Oh yah! I wuz eattin dis heer supe like it wuzzint buggin me nun, an at tha same time I nose as how I jest gotta hav anudder investagashu an a reel big one, cas its kuggin so much thet I jest no I aint gonna git me no mor sleep till I no fer sure jest wot kinda supe dis is. So I starts a reel bin investagashun!!

Well anyhow, I put my hole hand into it an I take out a fistfull of stuff frum tha bottom wot I'm gonna take peekins at. Did I say I wuz gonna take peekins at dis heer stuff? Golee, its takin peekins at me!! Let me see now....its okay, its jest one a dem thar black-eye tings wot cumes frum Spud Island thets peekin at me. Wot do ya call it....(Oh) yah!..."Potaytoe". But oh justice, take a gander at thet stuff thets sneekin thru my fingers. Ya no wot? Its thet japeese stuff: "Tapiokee". Magine thet! Well I rekon I ett thet stuff sum times befor but I cant say as how I got it in tha same bowl of supe. Wait now, wots dis?...Sumtin wots black an hard wots in dis heer hand! Oh justice, can ya beet thet?...LIBER! Thets rite - Liber. Liber supe!! Magine thet. In all my life I aint neber herd tell of liber supe, NUN! Till today, thet is. Give me gefelte fish an pineapple juice anytime, please an tanks.

Mr. Editor, if ya eber heer tha recipee fer dis heer liber supe - FERGIT IT! Dont put it in your paper needer, huh? I wood-n't want me Lulubetsy makin run of thet fer dem thar younuns out on tha ranch. Liber supe! Oh justice!...Who sez Aprul tha one is fools day, Huh?

Befor I git ta feelin worst, I guess I better shud-up. Okay? Okay. Dont be to lonsum now, pardner, I'll rite ya agin next mont.

Lotsa X's and O's fer me Lulubetsy!!

Yours throughly,  
Slipshod Sam



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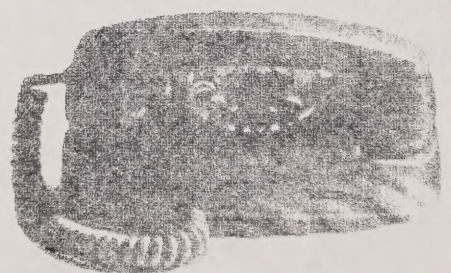
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